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SUBJECT: VISIT BY DEPUTY SECRETARY

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1. DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERALLY APPROVES SCHEDULE CONTAINED
PARA 3 REFTEL, WITH FOLLOWING SUGGESTED CHANGES.

2. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD PREFER TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR
AND COUNTRY TEAM ON MORNING OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 BEFORE
BEGINNING TALKS WITH NORWEGIANS. IF NECESSARY TO
ACCOMMODATE NORWEGIAN SCHEDULE, SUCH MEETING COULD TAKE
PLACE AS EARLY AS 8:00 A.M.

3. WITH RESPECT TO MEETINGS WITH NORWEGIAN OFFICIALS ON
MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 8, DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD PREFER
DISCUSSIONS RATHER THAN FORMAL BRIEFINGS. POSSIBLE EX-
CEPTION WOULD BE PRESENTATION BY STATOIL CHAIRMAN. HE
WOULD ALSO PREFER THAT THESE TALKS CONCLUDE WITH WORKING
LUNCHEON AND NOT CONTINUE INTO AFTERNOON.

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4. AS GENERAL OBSERVATION, DEPUTY SECRETARY BELIEVES THAT
TOO MANY SEPARATE MEETINGS ARE CONTEMPLATED ON MORNINGS

OF SEPTEMBER 8 AND 9. FOR EXAMPLE, IS IT NECESSARY TO

HAVE SEPARATE SESSIONS WITH FINANCE AND DEFENSE MINISTERS?

5. WITH RESPECT TO AUDIENCE WITH KING OLAF, DEPUTY SECRETARY DOES NOT REPEAT NOT WISH TO REQUEST INCLUSION OF MRS. INGERSOLL.

6. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD LIKE TO VISIT SOME INDUSTRIAL INSTALLATION, SUCH AS SHIP BUILDING OR OIL RIG CONSTRUCTION. COULD THIS BE ARRANGED FOR AFTERNOON OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18?

7. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH AMERICAN STAFF OF EMBASSY. HE HAS IN MIND SESSION IN SMALL EMBASSY AUDITORIUM (IF AVAILABLE) AT WHICH HE WOULD TALK VERY INFORMALLY FOR 10-15 MINUTES ABOUT THE VIEW FROM THE DEPARTMENT, AND THEN ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR AN ADDITIONAL 15-20 MINUTES. THIS COULD BE WORKED INTO SCHEDULE AT ANY TIME EMBASSY THINKS BEST.

8. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD ALSO LIKE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH MEMBERS OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY. THIS MIGHT BE ARRANGED OVER BREAKFAST OR LUNCHEON ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 IF THAT SEEMS PRACTICAL FROM EMBASSY POINT OF VIEW. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD BE OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS ON SOME OTHER FORMAT.

9. WITH RESPECT TO MEDIA (REFTEL PARA 5) DEPUTY SECRETARY STRONGLY PREFERS SINGLE INFORMAL SESSION WITH INVITED GROUP OF PERHAPS 15-20 SENIOR MEMBERS OF NEWSPAPERS-RADIO-TV COMMUNITY. HE WOULD MAKE BRIEF OPENING REMARKS (NO MORE THAN 5 MINUTES) AND THEN INVITE QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION OF ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST. HE WOULD HOPE THAT GROUP MIGHT INCLUDE SOME PUBLISHERS, COMMENTATORS, EDITORS, ETC., AS WELL AS WORKING PRESS. THIS FORMAT HAS WORKED WELL FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY ELSEWHERE, BUT HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE EMBASSY JUDGMENT
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WHETHER IT IS PRACTICAL IN OSLO.

10. SUGGESTIONS FOR MRS. INGERSOLL ARE FINE. BOTH DEPUTY SECRETARY AND MRS. INGERSOLL ARE INTERESTED IN MODERN PAINTING AND MIGHT WISH TO BUY SOME REPRESENTATIVE EXAMPLE. MRS. INGERSOLL WOULD LIKE TO VISIT APPROPRIATE GALLERIES ON SEPTEMBER 8 SO THAT SHE COULD

RETURN WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY ON SEPTEMBER 9 FOR FINAL SELECTION.

11. EMBASSY'S REACTIONS AND OBSERVATIONS ON THESE

SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. INGERSOLL

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